



Office of Satellite Ground Services (OSGS) Status

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NESDIS Identified Need for a Ground Enterprise



Today's Ground



Ground Enterprise

- Stand-alone ground systems with limited interoperability and parts commonality
 - High sustainment and O&M costs
 - Inefficient use of government & contractor personnel
- Lack of an enterprise approach to future capability development.
 - Limited use of similar capabilities across missions
 - Limited ability to leverage existing systems for new products and services
 - Difficult and costly to integrate future missions
- Enterprise approach with flexible, agile concepts of operation that reduce costs and speed product / service deployment
- Integrating current infrastructure with common services for interoperability and improved utilization
- Improved parts commonality for more efficient use of resources
- Separate hardware and software sustainment activities, enabling hardware refresh and new capability insertions as opportunities and budgets permit
- Establishing well-defined, common business processes & procedures, and roles & responsibilities across all ground projects



Vision and Mission Guide the

Transition to Ground Enterprise ARchitecture (GEAR)



OSGS Vision

One integrated, cross-program, cross-NESDIS team creating and sustaining the Ground Enterprise ARchitecture (GEAR) System (GEARS)

OSGS Mission

- Sustain Current Ops (GOES, POES, S-NPP, ...)
- Enable Future Ops (GOES-R, JPSS, ...)
- Create GEARS (NDE, PDA, CLASS, ...)



OSGS FY15 Mission Objectives Begin the Transition to the NESDIS GEAR System



Sustain

- Conduct sustainment on legacy (POEs/GOES/etc.) and NDE/PDA/CLASS infrastructure
 - Initiate cost-avoidance activities as funding and timelines allow
 - Existing staff with augmentation

Enable

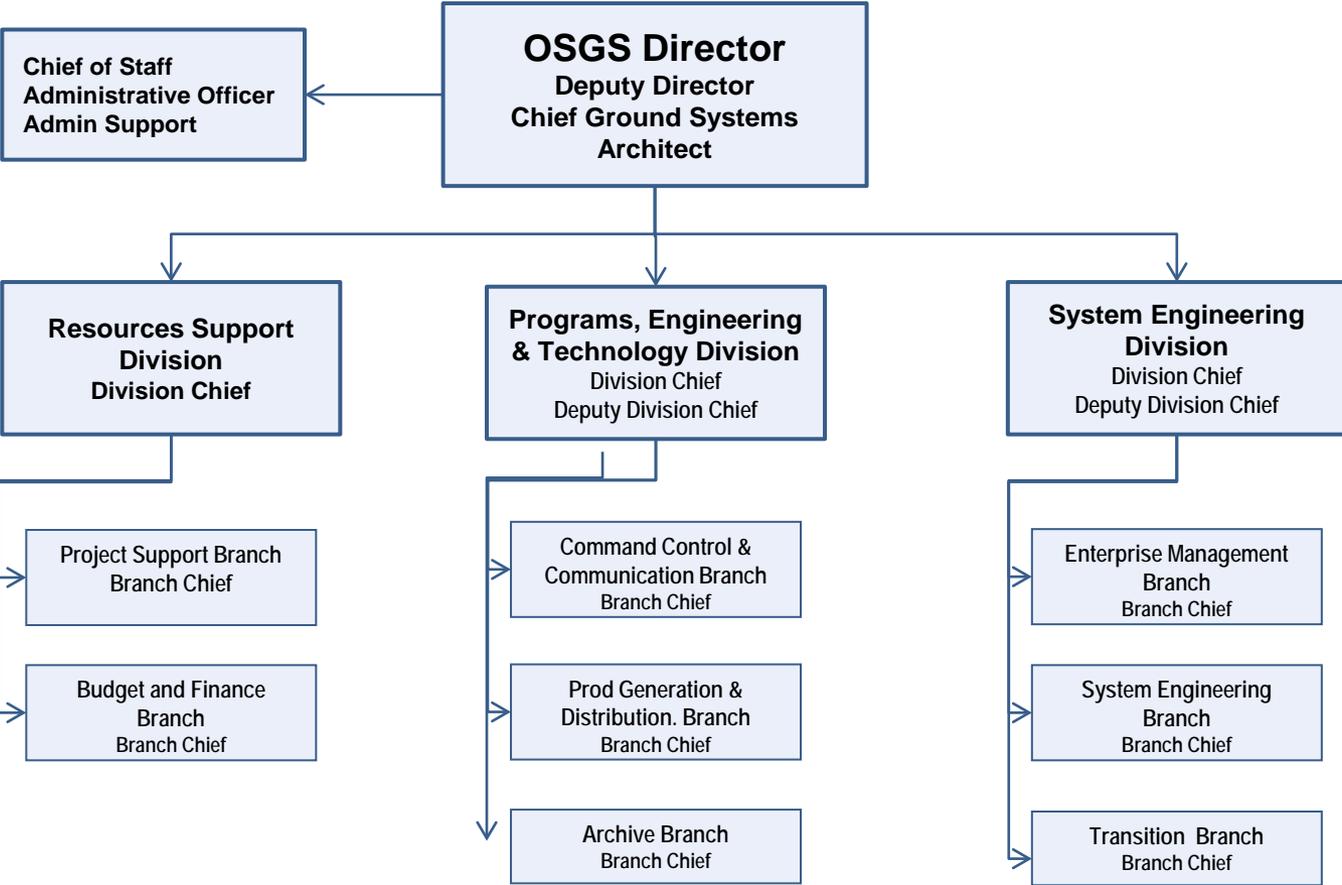
- Provide matrixed support to GOES-R and JPSS-1 programs
 - Complete the ground segments
 - Watch for further opportunities to migrate to enterprise operations
 - Prepare to lead sustainment after transition
 - Existing staff

Create

- Finish transition plan and draft acquisition plan for FY17 GEAR System initiative
 - Prototype three types of services (security, algorithms, C3)
 - Primarily new FY15 hires



Delivering the Ground Enterprise and Strengthening Systems Engineering





Technical and Programmatic Leadership in Close Coordination with Stakeholders



OSGS

Plan, acquire, develop, transition to operations, and sustain the enterprise ground system for NOAA's environmental satellite systems

Programs, Engineering & Technology

- Lead for capability implementation
- Project management for acquisition & sustainment
- Coordination with programs, projects, & customer/user communities
- Interface with flight projects for product generation, distribution and archival systems

Systems Engineering

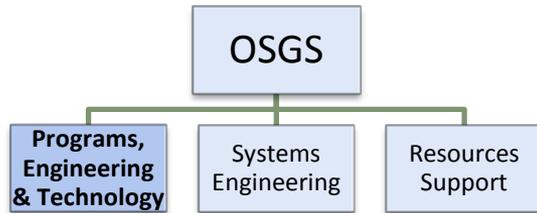
- Coordination with users & customers for transition to ops
- Coordination for sustainment of operational ground systems
- Architectural and systems engineering standards
- NESDIS-wide enterprise ground mission assurance
- System and IT security architecture analyses & studies

Resources Support

- Establishment of SLA and partner agreements
- Budgetary and financial coordination
- Acquisition services
- Project management services



Functional Responsibilities: OSGS Programs, Engineering and Technology

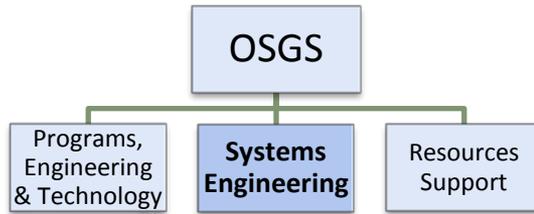


- Engineering and technical expertise
 - Lead organization for implementing capabilities
 - Project management for acquisition and sustainment
 - Project baseline of all documentation

- Capability for development of ground system functional areas
- Coordination with programs and projects, customer and user communities, and OSGS System Engineering Division on lower level satellite data needs requirements
- Development-level integration and test
- Trade studies, technical analyses, technology assessment, and proof-of-concept development for risk reduction and technology exploitation
- Re-use or make-buy decisions
- Interfaces with flight projects for command and control and data acquisition systems and user/customer organizations, providing science development and testing for product generation, distribution and archival systems
- Establishes standards and centers of excellence for engineering/technology disciplines



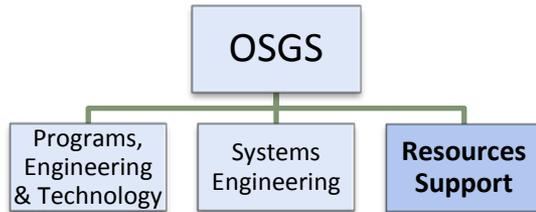
Functional Responsibilities: OSGS Systems Engineering



- Primary systems engineering organization in OSGS
 - Requirements flow down and tracking
 - System and IT security architecture analyses and studies
 - Architectural & system interface standards
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- System-wide verification and validation activities
 - Oversight of system integration & testing into the operational environment
 - Configuration and document management functions for system assets
 - Coordination with user/customer organizations in transitioning systems into operations and associated training
 - Systems engineering services and operations coordination for the sustainment of operational ground systems
 - Implements NESDIS-wide Mission Assurance (safety, reliability, maintainability, and quality assurance policies and procedures)



Functional Responsibilities: OSGS Resources Support



- Resources, processes, and methodologies for planning and execution
 - Establishment of SLAs and partner agreements
 - Development of project management policies and management practice
- Budgetary and financial coordination with major programs, projects, offices, and centers
 - Acquisition services including coordination of legal services with the Department of Commerce, contract management and interface to NOAA Acquisition and Grants Office
 - Project control including scope, schedule and cost control
 - Project support to initiation, planning (e.g., cost estimation), execution, and performance monitoring (e.g., EVM and Exhibit 300s)
 - Risk management services



Delivering the Benefits of an Enterprise Approach



Mission Success

- Accelerated deployment of new ground system capabilities
 - Elimination of redundant acquisitions of common ground system functionality
 - Common hardware and software environment for deployment of new functionality
 - Implementation of business process changes to streamline deployment

Cost Effectiveness Success

- Avoidance of mission ground system costs
 - Elimination of redundant development of common ground system functionality
 - Sharing of common but underutilized infrastructure resources across satellite programs
 - Simplification of ground operations to require fewer support staff



Fostering Active Engagement with Ground Enterprise Stakeholders



Ground Enterprise Stakeholders

- Stakeholders
 - Customer & user communities
 - NOAA
 - Oversight groups
- Mission partners
 - OSAAP
 - GOES-R
 - JPSS
 - OPPA
 - NEIO
 - OSPO
 - STAR
 - CIO
 - Facilities
 - NASA Goddard

Stakeholder Engagement Methods

- Quarterly ground enterprise leadership forums or steering committee meetings
- Participation in establishing ground enterprise strategy and evolution
- Engagement in Cross-NESDIS working groups (or IPTs)
- Tailored communication materials
- And so forth...



Illustration of NESDIS Organizations and Their Functions



OSAAP *Policy and Governance*

Enterprise Orchestration

OSGS

*Ground Systems
Development &
Sustainment*

NEIO
*Data Synthesis &
Stewardship*

GOES-R Program

JPSS Program

OPPA
Flight Projects

CIO
Network Infrastructure

OSPO
Satellite Ops. & Products

Flight Programs

Facilities
Facilities Infrastructure

Infrastructure

STAR
Science & Algorithms

Science & Operations



OSGS Transition Teams



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New NESDIS GEAR System Will Serve the NESDIS Ground Enterprise



GEAR System Vision

To provide a suite of common ground services enabling accelerated deployment of capabilities and avoidance of mission ground systems costs

Look to the Future

GEAR System Drivers

- Transition without harm to launch of GOES-R and JPSS 1 & 2
- Define enterprise ground services
- Enable the evolution of the ground architecture as NESDIS needs change
- Promote interoperability between observing systems, common ground, and diverse partners
- Maximize acquisition flexibility

Meet Mission Needs



GEAR System Concept Of Operations Guides Its Development



Architectural Principles

- Avoid cost while maintaining value
- Develop common services
- Share information
- Be technology independent
- Control technical diversity
- Be interoperability

General Attributes

- Enterprise management
Shared infrastructure
Mission isolation
- Hardware agnostic
Location agnostic
Acquisition approach agnostic
- Service oriented architecture
Common services reuse
Standards-based
- Automation capable
- Highly secure



Service-Oriented Approach to Enterprise Avoids Costs and Accelerates Delivery of New Capabilities

Common Services

- Available to any Enterprise application
- Registered in the enterprise service registry
- Negotiated SLA with each user of the service
- Maintained by Enterprise
- Changes require approval by the GEAR System Governance Board

Private Services

- Specific to a particular Enterprise-hosted application
- Not visible or usable outside that application
- Not approved or funded by Enterprise
- Maintained by the application provider



Status of GEAR

- Current focus on high priority services
 - Overarching target architecture
 - Transition plan that embraces ongoing activities and maximizes on what can be done to avoid costs in the near term
 - Product Management (Algorithm Framework, Product Generation, Product Distribution and Archive) and Infrastructure
- Early Prototyping
 - Common algorithm framework, Blended Products, IT Security
 - Will be integrated into a lab in Suitland when it's available
- Concept of Operations under NESDIS directorate-level review
- Independent Reviews:
 - IIRT #3 was held on 27 March 2014
 - Focused on approach to capture target architecture and performance goals
 - IIRT #4 is scheduled for 4 September 2014
 - Focus will be on transition roadmap and supporting documentation



Summary



- Vision and Mission Established
- Organization Structure and Staffing Plan completed
- Interactions with peer organizations underway
- GEAR System Concept of Operation in coordination



Questions?